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File No. 344

Senate Bill No. 1046

Senate, April 5, 2007

The Committee on Public Health reported through SEN. HANDLEY of the 4th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT EXAMINING THE LICENSURE SYSTEM FOR DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FACILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) The Commissioner of Public
2 Health shall establish a committee for the purpose of assisting the
3 commissioner in examining and evaluating the existing licensure
4 system for facilities under the jurisdiction of the Department of
5 Children and Families. The committee shall focus on (1) the most
6 appropriate system of licensure for such facilities, including, but not
7 limited to, the feasibility and appropriateness of transferring licensing
8 responsibilities for such facilities to the Department of Public Health,
9 and (2) what resources would be necessary in order to transfer
10 licensing responsibilities for such facilities to the Department of Public
11 Health or to successfully implement any other recommended changes
12 to the existing licensure system. Other topics may be included at the
13 discretion of the commissioner.

14 (b) (1) The committee shall be appointed by the commissioner and

15 shall consist of (A) two members of the Department of Public Health,
 16 (B) two members of the Department of Children and Families, (C) the
 17 Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or a designee, and
 18 (D) the Child Advocate, or a designee. The Commissioners of Public
 19 Health and Children and Families, or their designees, shall be ex-
 20 officio members with full voting rights.

21 (2) The Commissioner of Public Health may expand the
 22 membership of the committee to include representatives from related
 23 fields if the commissioner decides such expansion would be useful.

24 (c) On or before January 1, 2008, the Commissioner of Public Health
 25 shall submit, in accordance with section 11-4a of the general statutes,
 26 the results of the examination, with specific recommendations for
 27 statutory changes, to the Governor and the joint standing committee of
 28 the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public
 29 health and children and families.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

PH *Joint Favorable*

The following fiscal impact statement and bill analysis are prepared for the benefit of members of the General Assembly, solely for the purpose of information, summarization, and explanation, and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose:

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

It is anticipated that representatives of the Departments of Public Health and Children and Families; as well as the Offices of Policy and Management and the Child Advocate, will participate in the committee's activities within each agency's normally budgeted resources.

The Out Years

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

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